



BIOGRAPHY



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COLONEL G. SCOTT COALE

Colonel Scott Coale is Commander, Reconnaissance Systems Wing, Aeronautical Systems Center, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

Colonel Coale was commissioned a second lieutenant in 1981 following graduation from the U.S. Air Force Academy. He has held a variety of assignments in acquisition program management, flight testing and engineering. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Test Pilot School in 1985, completing the Flight Test Engineer Course, and has accumulated flight time in 16 military aircraft types.

During his tenure in the F/A-22 program, Colonel Coale led the Air Vehicle Team during the period covering first flight and transition to low-rate production. In the Global Hawk program, he led the deployment of the prototype system in support of the Global War on Terrorism, and pioneered the use of spiral development to significantly reduce acquisition cycle time. Colonel Coale has had staff assignments on the Joint Staff, for the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition and for the Deputy Under Secretary of the Air Force for International Affairs.



EDUCATION:

1981 Distinguished graduate, Bachelor of science degree in engineering mechanics, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

1982 Master of science degree in engineering mechanics, Columbia University, New York, N.Y.

1985 Distinguished graduate, U.S. Naval Test Pilot School, Patuxent River Naval Air Station, Md.

1986 Distinguished graduate, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

1992 Masters degree in international public policy, John Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, Washington, D.C.

1993 Distinguished graduate, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

1997 Defense Systems Management College, Fort Belvoir, Va.

2000 Distinguished graduate, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Washington, D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. June 1981 – May 1982, Guggenheim Fellow, Columbia University, New York, N.Y.
2. May 1982 – December 1984, structural dynamics engineer, F-16 System Program Office, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
3. January 1985 – December 1985, student, U.S. Naval Test Pilot School, Patuxent River NAS, Md.
4. January 1986 – September 1988, structural flight test engineer and operations engineering branch chief, Air Force Flight Test Center, Edwards AFB, Calif.
5. September 1988 – July 1989, student, Defense Language Institute, Presidio of Monterey, Calif.
6. July 1989 – June 1992, Olmsted Scholar, University of Salzburg, Austria and Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, Washington, D.C.
7. July 1992 – June 1993, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
8. June 1993 – December 1994, Chief of European cooperative programs, Deputy Under Secretary of the Air Force for International Affairs, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
9. December 1994 – August 1996, towed decoy program element monitor, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
10. August 1996 – July 1997, executive officer, Directorate of Global Power Programs, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
11. July 1997 – July 1999, F-22 airframe team chief and then F-22 air vehicle team chief, F-22 System Program Office, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
12. August 1999 – June 2000, student, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Washington, D.C.
13. June 2000 – June 2002, analysis team chief and then division chief, Program and Budget Analysis Division, Joint Staff/J8, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
14. July 2002 – August 2004, Director, Global Hawk System Program Office, Aeronautical Systems Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
15. August 2004 - present, Director, Reconnaissance Systems Wing, later, Commander, Reconnaissance Systems Wing, Aeronautical Systems Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Defense Superior Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Joint Commendation Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant	May 27, 1981
First Lieutenant	May 27, 1983
Captain	May 27, 1985
Major	April 1, 1993
Lieutenant Colonel	Jan. 1, 1997
Colonel	April 1, 2000

(Current as of January 2005)